

EC-1573. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Proposed Realignment of Federal Airways V 72 and V289; MO CORRECTION; Docket no. 02-ACE-6 (2120-AA66) (2003-0058)" received on March 12, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1574. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Prohibited Area P 49 Crawford, TX Docket no. 03-AWA-1 [2-19/3-10] (2120-AA66) (2003-0059)" received on March 12, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-1575. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class D Airspace and Modification of Class E Airspace; Topeka, Philip Billard Municipal Airport, KS; Docket No. 03-ACE-4 [2-10/3-10] (2120-AA66) (2003-0060)" received on March 12, 2003; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EXECUTIVE REPORT OF COMMITTEE

The following executive report of committee was submitted:

By Mr. DOMENICI for the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

*Joseph Timothy Kelliher, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission for the term expiring June 30, 2007.

(*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.)

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mr. SMITH (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 601. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire the McLoughlin House National Historic Site in Oregon City, Oregon, for inclusion in the Fort Vancouver National Historic Site, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. DORGAN (for himself, Mr. HAGEL, Mr. JOHNSON, Mr. BROWNBACK, Mr. DASCHLE, Mr. BURNS, Mr. DAYTON, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, Mr. CONRAD, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. DURBIN, Ms. LANDRIEU, and Mr. MILLER):

S. 602. A bill to reward the hard work and risk of individuals who choose to live in and help preserve America's small, rural towns, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 603. A bill to amend part A of title IV of the Social Security Act to give States the option to create a program that allows individuals receiving temporary assistance to needy families to obtain post-secondary or longer duration vocational education; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. BAYH (for himself, Mr. DOMENICI, and Mr. SANTORUM):

S. 604. A bill to amend part D of title IV of the Social Security Act to provide grants to promote responsible fatherhood, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. SMITH (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. ALLEN, Mr. WARNER, Mr. KERRY, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. AKAKA, Mr. BURNS, Mr. COLEMAN, and Mr. DAYTON):

S. 605. A bill to extend waivers under the temporary assistance to needy families program through the end of fiscal year 2008; to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. GREGG (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. DEWINE, Mr. HARKIN, Mr. SMITH, Ms. MIKULSKI, Ms. COLLINS, Mr. BINGAMAN, Ms. SNOWE, Mr. SARBANES, Mr. KERRY, Mr. BAYH, Mr. CORZINE, Mr. DAYTON, Mr. DURBIN, and Mr. DASCHLE):

S. 606. A bill to provide collective bargaining rights for public safety officers employed by States or their political subdivisions; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. ENSIGN (for himself, Mr. GREGG, Mr. ENZI, Mr. THOMAS, Mr. VOINOVICH, and Mr. KYL):

S. 607. A bill to improve patient access to health care services and provide improved medical care by reducing the excessive burden the liability system places on the health care delivery system; read the first time.

By Mr. REED (for himself and Mr. KENNEDY):

S. 608. A bill to provide for personnel preparation, enhanced support and training for beginning special educators, and professional development of special educators, general educators, and early intervention personnel; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

By Mr. LEAHY (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. LIEBERMAN, Mr. JEFFORDS, and Mr. BYRD):

S. 609. A bill to amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (Public Law 107-296) to provide for the protection of voluntarily furnished confidential information, and for other purposes; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

SUBMISSION OF CONCURRENT AND SENATE RESOLUTIONS

The following concurrent resolutions and Senate resolutions were read, and referred (or acted upon), as indicated:

By Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. CORNYN, and Mr. CAMPBELL):

S. Res. 81. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate concerning the continuous repression of freedoms within Iran and of individual human rights abuses, particularly with regard to women; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. BROWNBACK (for himself, Mr. WYDEN, Mr. COLEMAN, Mr. CORNYN, Mr. CAMPBELL, and Mr. KYL):

S. Res. 82. A resolution expressing the sense of the Senate concerning the continuous repression of freedoms within Iran and of individual human rights abuses, particularly with regard to women; to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

By Mr. SANTORUM (for himself and Mr. BROWNBACK):

S. Con. Res. 19. A concurrent resolution affirming the importance of a national day of prayer and fasting, and expressing the sense of Congress that March 17, 2003, should be designated as a national day of prayer and fasting; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

ADDITIONAL COSPONSORS

S. 15

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the name of the Senator from Missouri (Mr. BOND) was added as a cosponsor of S. 15, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for the payment of compensation for certain individuals with injuries resulting from the administration of smallpox countermeasures, to provide protections and countermeasures against chemical, radiological, or nuclear agents that may be used in a terrorist attack against the United States, and to improve immunization rates by increasing the distribution of vaccines and improving and clarifying the vaccine injury compensation program.

S. 50

At the request of Mr. JOHNSON, the name of the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 50, a bill to amend title 38, United States Code, to provide for a guaranteed adequate level of funding for veterans health care, and for other purposes.

S. 54

At the request of Mr. SCHUMER, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. DAYTON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 54, a bill to amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act to provide greater access to affordable pharmaceuticals.

S. 120

At the request of Mr. BAYH, the name of the Senator from Michigan (Ms. STABENOW) was added as a cosponsor of S. 120, a bill to eliminate the marriage tax penalty permanently in 2003.

S. 120

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. WARNER) was added as a cosponsor of S. 120, supra.

S. 140

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 140, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend loan forgiveness for certain loans to Head Start teachers.

S. 171

At the request of Mr. DAYTON, the name of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 171, a bill to amend the title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide payment to medicare ambulance suppliers of the full costs of providing such services, and for other purposes.

S. 227

At the request of Mrs. FEINSTEIN, the name of the Senator from Virginia (Mr. ALLEN) was withdrawn as a cosponsor of S. 227, a bill to amend the Higher Education Act of 1965 to extend loan forgiveness for certain loans to certified or licensed teachers, to provide for grants that promote teacher certification and licensing, and for other purposes.

S. 238

At the request of Mr. REED, the names of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) and the Senator from California (Mrs. BOXER) were added as cosponsors of S. 238, a bill to reauthorize the Museum and Library Services Act, and for other purposes.

S. 251

At the request of Mr. BREAUX, the name of the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 251, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to repeal the 4.3-cent motor fuel excise taxes on railroads and inland waterway transportation which remain in the general fund of the Treasury.

S. 252

At the request of Mr. THOMAS, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 252, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide special rules relating to the replacement of livestock sold on account of weather-related conditions.

S. 271

At the request of Mr. SMITH, the name of the Senator from Wyoming (Mr. THOMAS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 271, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an additional advance refunding of bonds originally issued to finance governmental facilities used for essential governmental functions.

S. 272

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, the names of the Senator from Minnesota (Mr. COLEMAN) and the Senator from Georgia (Mr. CHAMBLISS) were added as cosponsors of S. 272, a bill to provide incentives for charitable contributions by individuals and businesses, to improve the public disclosure of activities of exempt organizations, and to enhance the ability of low income Americans to gain financial security by building assets, and for other purposes.

S. 317

At the request of Mr. GREGG, the name of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 317, a bill to amend the Fair Labor Standards Act of 1938 to provide to private sector employees the same opportunities for time-and-a-half compensatory time off, biweekly work programs, and flexible credit hour programs as Federal employees currently enjoy to help balance the demands and needs for work and family, and for other purposes.

S. 322

At the request of Mr. INOUE, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 322, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exempt certain sightseeing flights from taxes on air transportation.

S. 377

At the request of Ms. LANDRIEU, the name of the Senator from California (Mrs. FEINSTEIN) was added as a co-

sponsor of S. 377, a bill to require the Secretary of the Treasury to mint coins in commemoration of the contributions of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., to the United States.

S. 392

At the request of Mr. REID, the name of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) was added as a cosponsor of S. 392, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to permit retired members of the Armed Forces who have a service-connected disability to receive both military retired pay by reason of their years of military service and disability compensation from the Department of Veterans Affairs for their disability.

S. 451

At the request of Ms. SNOWE, the names of the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN), the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. INOUE), the Senator from Indiana (Mr. LUGAR), the Senator from Nevada (Mr. REID), the Senator from Alabama (Mr. SESSIONS) and the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) were added as cosponsors of S. 451, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to increase the minimum Survivor Benefit Plan basic annuity for surviving spouses age 62 and older, to provide for a one-year open season under that plan, and for other purposes.

S. 457

At the request of Mr. LEAHY, the name of the Senator from Hawaii (Mr. AKAKA) was added as a cosponsor of S. 457, a bill to remove the limitation on the use of funds to require a farm to feed livestock with organically produced feed to be certified as an organic farm.

S. 471

At the request of Mr. ALLEN, the name of the Senator from North Carolina (Mr. EDWARDS) was added as a cosponsor of S. 471, a bill to ensure continuity for the design of the 5-cent coin, establish the Citizens Coinage Committee, and for other purposes.

S. 480

At the request of Mr. HARKIN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. JOHNSON) was added as a cosponsor of S. 480, a bill to provide competitive grants for training court reporters and closed captioners to meet requirements for realtime writers under the Telecommunications Act of 1996, and for other purposes.

S. 511

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from Oregon (Mr. WYDEN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 511, a bill to provide permanent funding for the Payment In Lieu of Taxes program, and for other purposes.

S. 516

At the request of Mr. BUNNING, the names of the Senator from Nevada (Mr. ENSIGN) and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. FITZGERALD) were added as cosponsors of S. 516, a bill to amend title 49, United States Code, to allow the arming of pilots of cargo aircraft, and for other purposes.

S. 529

At the request of Ms. CANTWELL, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. 529, a bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to exclude from gross income loan payments received under the National Health Service Corps Loan Repayment Program established in the Public Health Service Act.

S. 544

At the request of Mr. DODD, the name of the Senator from Maine (Ms. SNOWE) was added as a cosponsor of S. 544, a bill to establish a SAFER Firefighter Grant Program.

S. 560

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the name of the Senator from Washington (Ms. CANTWELL) was added as a cosponsor of S. 560, a bill to impose tariff-rate quotas on certain casein and milk protein concentrates.

S. 566

At the request of Ms. MIKULSKI, the names of the Senator from Maryland (Mr. SARBANES) and the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) were added as cosponsors of S. 566, a bill to amend the Public Health Service Act to provide for Alzheimer's disease research and demonstration grants.

S. 585

At the request of Mr. NELSON of Florida, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. DURBIN) was added as a cosponsor of S. 585, a bill to amend title 10, United States Code, to repeal the requirement for reduction of SBP survivor annuities by dependency and indemnity compensation.

S. RES. 30

At the request of Mr. SANTORUM, his name was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 30, a resolution expressing the sense of the Senate that the President should designate the week beginning September 14, 2003, as "National Historically Black Colleges and Universities Week".

S. RES. 46

At the request of Mr. BINGAMAN, the name of the Senator from South Dakota (Mr. DASCHLE) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 46, a resolution designating March 31, 2003, as "National Civilian Conservation Corps Day".

S. RES. 48

At the request of Mr. AKAKA, the name of the Senator from Louisiana (Ms. LANDRIEU) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 48, a resolution designating April 2003 as "Financial Literacy for Youth Month".

S. RES. 70

At the request of Mr. CRAIG, the names of the Senator from Idaho (Mr. CRAPO) and the Senator from Texas (Mrs. HUTCHISON) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 70, a resolution designating the week beginning March 16, 2003 as "National Safe Place Week".

S. RES. 78

At the request of Mr. SPECTER, the names of the Senator from Oklahoma

(Mr. NICKLES) and the Senator from Georgia (Mr. MILLER) were added as cosponsors of S. Res. 78, a resolution designating March 25, 2003, as "Greek Independence Day: A National Day of Celebration of Greek and American Democracy".

S. RES. 79

At the request of Mrs. HUTCHISON, the name of the Senator from Illinois (Mr. FITZGERALD) was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 79, a resolution designating the week of March 9 through March 15, 2003, as "National Girl Scout Week".

S. RES. 79

At the request of Ms. COLLINS, her name was added as a cosponsor of S. Res. 79, *supra*.

AMENDMENT NO. 259

At the request of Mr. DURBIN, the names of the Senator from Iowa (Mr. HARKIN), the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. LIEBERMAN), the Senator from Arkansas (Mrs. LINCOLN) and the Senator from Connecticut (Mr. DODD) were added as cosponsors of amendment No. 259 proposed to S. 3, a bill to prohibit the procedure commonly known as partial-birth abortion.

STATEMENTS ON INTRODUCED BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

By Mr. SMITH (for himself and Mr. WYDEN):

S. 601. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to acquire the McLoughlin House National Historic Site in Oregon City, Oregon, for inclusion in the Fort Vancouver National Historic Site, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Mr. WYDEN. Mr. President, I rise today as an original co-sponsor of the McLoughlin House Preservation Act.

Dr. John McLoughlin, a powerful 6'4" man, is known, officially and fondly, as the "Father of Oregon." His compassion played a critical role in the settling of the Northwest by Oregon Trail pioneers. Dr. McLoughlin's generosity to these early pioneers who arrived in the Oregon Territory after their incredible five month journey sick, hungry and without provisions was often the difference between survival and failure during their first winter.

This bill is a testimony to the hard work that one community can achieve. Preservation of the McLoughlin House and the nearby Barclay House, located in Oregon City, Oregon, is important to the cultural identity of Oregon. This bill would make them part of the Fort Vancouver National Park Service administrative site, thereby highlighting the interwoven connection between Fort Vancouver, the fur trade and the beginnings of the Oregon Territory.

Dr. McLoughlin first came to the Northwest in 1824, arriving at Fort George, now called Astoria, Oregon, to establish a supply center for the Hudson's Bay Company. Within a year, he moved to a more favorable location on the northern side of the Columbia, in

what is now Washington State, and built a new trading post and named it Fort Vancouver. As the Post Administrator, the good hearted doctor maintained a very good relationship with neighboring Indians and used his medical skills to tend to the terrible fevers that broke out among them.

The Fort belonged to the Hudson's Bay Company that was a rival of American trappers, and although company policy discouraged American settlers, Dr. McLoughlin was not one to refuse a helping hand to any trapper or settler in distress. When frustrated with the Hudson's Bay Company policy opposing American settlers, Dr. McLoughlin resigned and moved to Oregon City on the Willamette Falls. By 1848, Oregon had grown so much that it was officially designated a territory, and by 1859, it became the nation's thirty-third state. McLoughlin remained a vibrant public figure and became the Mayor of Oregon City in 1851. Many of the debates concerning Oregon's statehood are said to have taken place in McLoughlin's living room, and the Oregon State Legislature aptly named him the "Father of Oregon."

The McLoughlin House was designated as the National Historic Site, one of the first in the west, in 1941. I thank my constituents in Clackamas County, particularly John Salisbury and the McLoughlin Memorial Association, for all of their hard work to preserve this Oregon treasure. Additionally, I thank Tracy Fortmann with the National Park Service at Fort Vancouver for her advocacy on behalf of the McLoughlin House. Mayor Alice Norris and the former mayors of Oregon City who have worked together to bring this legislation to the attention of the Oregon delegation deserve our thanks as well. Finally, I thank Representative HOOLEY for having the foresight to introduce this legislation in the House of Representatives in the 107th Congress and again in the 108th.

By Ms. SNOWE (for herself, Mr. BAUCUS, Mr. BINGAMAN, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, and Mr. JEFFORDS):

S. 603. A bill to amend part A of title IV of the Social Security Act to give States the option to create a program that allows individuals receiving temporary assistance to needy families to obtain post-secondary or longer duration vocational education; to the Committee on Finance.

Ms. SNOWE. Mr. President, I rise today to introduce "The Pathways to Self-Sufficiency Act of 2003." I am pleased to be joined in introducing this important legislation by my colleagues Senators BAUCUS, BINGAMAN and ROCKEFELLER.

This legislation is based upon the highly esteemed Maine program called "Parents as Scholars". This program, which uses State Maintenance of Effort, MOE, dollars to pay TANF-like benefits to those participating in post-secondary education, is a proven suc-

cess in my state and is a wonderful foundation for a national effort.

We all agree that the 1996 welfare reform effort changed the face of this Nation's welfare system to focus it on work. To that end, I believe that this legislation bolsters the emphasis on "work first". Like many of my colleagues, I agree that the shift in the focus from welfare to work was the right decision, and that work should be the top priority. However, for those TANF recipients who cannot find a good job that will put them on the road toward financial independence, education might well be the key to a successful future of self-sufficiency.

As we have seen in Maine that education has played a significant role in breaking the cycle of welfare and giving parents the skills necessary to find better paying jobs. And we all know that higher wages are the light at the end of the tunnel of public assistance.

"The Pathways to Self-Sufficiency Act of 2003" provides States with the option to allow individuals receiving Federal TANF assistance to obtain post-secondary or vocational education. This legislation would give States the ability to use Federal TANF dollars to give those who are participating in vocational or post-secondary education the same assistance as they would receive if they were working.

We all know that supports like income supplements, child care subsidies, and transportation assistance among others, are essential to a TANF recipient's ability to make a successful transition to work. The same is true for those engaged in longer term educational endeavors. This assistance is especially necessary for those who are undertaking the challenge and the financial responsibility of post-secondary education, in the hopes of increasing their earning potential and employability. The goal of this program is to give participants the tools necessary to succeed into the future so that they can become, and remain, self-sufficient.

Choosing to go to college requires motivation, and graduating from college requires a great deal of commitment and work—even for someone who isn't raising children and sustaining a family. These are significant challenges, and that's even before taking into consideration the cost associated with obtaining a Bachelor's degree, with a four year program at the University of Maine currently costing almost \$25,000. This legislation would provide those TANF recipients who have the ability and the will to go to college the assistance they need to sustain their families while they get a degree.

The value of promoting access to education in this manner to get people off public assistance is proven by the success of Maine's "Parents as Scholars", PaS, program. Maine's PaS graduates earn a median wage of \$11.71 per hour after graduation up from a median of \$8.00 per hour prior to entering